

**WHEREAS**, Trauma Awareness Day is designed to raise national attention to trauma and what must be done to reduce the devastating impact of traumatic injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida has established performance standards for the state trauma system; and

**WHEREAS**, the threat of traumatic injury can be reduced significantly with a well-established trauma system; and

**WHEREAS**, almost one in four Americans suffer a traumatic injury; and

**WHEREAS**, young people are particularly vulnerable, traumatic injuries cause more childhood deaths than all diseases combined and account for 80% of all deaths among adolescents; and

**WHEREAS**, trauma is the leading cause of death for all individuals under the age of 40 in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, when serious traumatic injuries do occur, rapid transport, prompt treatment, and early rehabilitation of the victim provide the best means of minimizing physical, emotional and financial costs; and

**WHEREAS**, trauma centers, health care professionals, educators, industry leaders, and government officials are working together with concerned citizens to promote greater awareness of traumatic injuries and to encourage the adoption of measures to prevent them.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaim May 22, 2003 as;

### **TRAUMA AWARENESS DAY**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of May, 2003.

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**Tom Truex, Mayor**